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GDR INDUSTRIAL RIOT PRECAUTIONS; UNIFORMS FOR ELECTRICIANS

WHITE ARM BANDS TO IDENTIFY GDR OFFICIALS. IN CASE OF RIOTS -- Koeln, Welt der Arbeit, 8 Jan 54

A top-secret manual distributed to leading party officials at the Karl Marx Locomotive Plant at Babelsberg, near East Berlin, provides for emergency measures in case of riots. A three-stage alarm system, outlined on page 24 of the manual, indicates that catastrophes and workers' riots are considered extreme emergencies. In response to a siren blast, top functionaries will have to report to the management office to form the operations staff (Einsatzstab), consisting of the manager, the party secretary, the factory union leader, the chiefs of the factory guards, the fire department, as well as the plant security inspector and the fire inspector. The members of this staff will immediately put on white arm bands, which will invest them with unrestricted authority.

GDR ELECTRICIANS TO WEAR UNIFORMS -- Hamburg, Hamburger Abendblatt, 17 Nov 53

Technicians in the electric power field of the GDR will be given gray uniforms with shoulder straps and military insignia, according to a decree from Seibmann, GDR Minister of Heavy Industry. Seibmann also announced that no "unexpected" cuts in electric power will be made in the future, but that all cuts will be announced beforehand.

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